

(From the Economist 11th July.)

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Our southern neighbours have strongly proclaimed their disinclination to have any shortening of the hours of public-house, on Sundays or otherwise. In Scotland, an act imposing certain restrictions of this nature has been submitted to with comparative resignation. In Scotland, however, we must remember the evil is of a direr kind, in consequence of the more demoralising character of the favourite drink. There was here a greater call upon the middle classes to abstain from such a social custom as the Scotch humber bottle. It is a kind of measure which no lover of individual liberty can approve of; yet it has in this instance done some good, as far as the diminution of cases of people taken up as drunk and disorderly is concerned. Some of the most striking doubts have been expressed, but we believe, without justification. It is the one comforting circumstance in a wide-spread scene of degradation and woe.

(From the Spectator.)

In the first place, the floor had to be lengthened, then the seats had to be altered; next, the galleries for members had to be changed; the long lancet-shaped windows at first introduced were found ill-suited to the character of the House, and had to be altogether altered; the arrangement of the benches was the subject of numerous changes; and, last of all, being discovered that nobody could hear in the House, the roof had to be entirely altered. What private firm would have been able to carry out such ordinary prudence as this? It would have required the ordinary prudence which would allow an architect to plan the alterations and not even require him to state the expense incurred by such innumerable changes?

There are of course two sides of a story, and Mr. Milnes has much to say for Charles Barry, with considerable effect. It was not Sir Charles Barry's House, which was answerable for most of the alterations made in the original plan. As to the remuneration of Sir S. Charles, five per cent. is the usual allowance for architects, and he may well claim the emolument which Sir Charles Barry has proposed for himself from the two Houses of Parliament during the years he has been engaged upon the work did not exceed his fee for remuneration for an architect of his standing, and did not exceed what any other engineer in the employment of a railway company might expect to receive. It remains that we have had these incessant alterations at least half a million has been spent for objects which have been proved worthless or wrong; and there is no doubt that the House of Commons will regret obtaining the thing wanted for the money, and will be to ordinary apprehension that, before a suit is laid out—before even the commencement of the work—the employer ought to obtain distinct plans, with some estimate of cost, and that they should be the object desired. Exeter Hall did not prove to be anything like what speakers could not be heard, yet it would afford space for two or three Parliaments. It is the same with St. Martin's Hall, and will be the same with the chambers of the House of Lords at Mr. Spurgeon's.

The House of Parliament must not neglect the cause of this total absence of efficient agency for the public

from the Athenian

nothing,—buried, moreover, with such defensive haste and circumstance as told that till he was laid in his grave the old singer of the old songs was a charm of powerful trouble among the restless spirits of France! Béranger was born, as his own song of the "Tailleur et la Fée" reminds us, in Paris, on the 10th of August, 1780, in the house of his grandfather, a tailor in the

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About 100 tons of rock had fallen from one precipice on Goat Island, Niagara Falls, about 300 feet below the British Falls, injuring three or four persons who were underneath; one, it was feared, fatally so. The *Toronto Globe* reports that a daring and successful robbery had been perpetrated in the back office of the Bank of Upper Canada, and cash to the amount of \$1000 had been taken.

As *Queen Elizabeth* (1598). She was said to be fifty-five years old. Her face was rather long, white, thin, wrinkled; her lips compressed; her teeth black (from too much sugar). She had earrings of pearls, red hair (but artificial), and wore a small crown. Her breast was uncovered (as in the case with all unmarried ladies in England), and round her neck was a chain with precious jewels. Her hands were small, her fingers long. She was of middle size, but stout and dignified. She was gracious and kind in her address. The dress she wore was of white silk, with pearls as big as beans. Her cloak was of black silk with silver buttons, and a long train was carried by a marchioness. As she walked along, she spoke most kindly with many people, some of them in disguise. She spoke English, French, and Italian; but she knew also Greek and Latin, and understands Spanish, Scotch, and Dutch. Wherever she turned her eyes, she was followed by a throng of admirers. At the door of the chapel, books were given to her, and she personally called out, "God save the Queen Elizabeth!" whereupon the Queen answered, "I thank you, my lords."

THE LATE EXPEDITION OF THE NILE.—Our readers are aware that last year Mohamed Said, Viceroy of Egypt, had expedited a number of scientific men to explore the Nile, and it is possible that they may have discovered the existence of an immense lake said to exist in the interior, and which is supposed to be the real source of the Nile. The *Press* has now published a succinct account of the expedition, taken from the private journal of Dr. Pouchet, one of its members. Through the instrumentality of M de Moles, a French naturalist, patronized by the Academy of Sciences at Paris, and who has been lately in France, England, and Germany, and favoured with special instructions from M.A. de Humbolt, was it possible to procure about the beginning of October last: it consists of a French naturalist, a French man; Meyer, a German mineralogist; D Richard, a botanist; Geng and Boleslawski, officers of the Imperial Corps of engineers; Georges Pouchet, a zoologist; Two German geologists, and a photographer, De Bir, a draughtsman; and Taboulet,

secretary to the expedition, all under the orders of M.

did not cease until they reached Rhoda, a place 20 leagues from Cairo, where they were received by a Government steamer. The results of their journey in a scientific point of view are very meagre, consisting only of confirmations of facts already published by previous travellers.

COUNTRY LAND SALES.

AT THE POLICE OFFICE, EDEN.

AUCKLAND (COUNTRY) LOTS.—Parish of Panmua. Between half a mile and 1½ mile westerly from Panmua: Lots 1 to 6, 60 acres 2 roods 32 perches.—Parish of Beggs. Within the Beggs Reserve, about 4 miles south-easterly from the town of Beggs: Lots 7 and 8, 205 acres each. Between 3 and 4 miles south-easterly from the town of Beggs: Lot 9, 11 acres 2 roods; lot 10, 101 acres 3 roods; lot 11, 106 acres 24 perches; lot 12, 130 acres 1 rood 4 perches. On the Beggs River, between 2 and 3 miles southerly from the town of Beggs: Lot 13, 132 acres 3 roods; lot 14, 134 acres 3 roods.

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acres; AsS&V, near Wellington: Lot 126 acres 2 roads 33 perches; lot 2, 30 acres; lots 3, 22 acres 3 roads; lot 4, 25 acres; lot 5, 32 acres 3 roads; lots 6 and 7, 36 acres 2 roads each.—Parish of Wellington. Adjoining the east boundary of C. M'Namara's portion No. 14: Lot K, 32 acres. Adjoining the east boundary of J. Haywood's portion No. 17: Lot R, 32 acres. Adjoining the east boundary of A. Velech's portion No. 18: Lot 19, 22 acres. Adjoining the north boundary of W. Currie's portion No. 32: Lot 11, 30 acres. On the Macquarie River, near Wellington, adjoining the north boundary of Thomas Cashel's 32 acres 1 road, 33 perches: Lot 12.

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 aene 1 rood 33 perches: Lot 13, 33 acres 3 rods. Upset price
 £1 per acre.

Wentworth (Town Lots).—Parish of Wellington. Town of
 Wellington: Lots 14 to 17, 2 roods each; Lot 18, 2 roods 24
 perches; Lots 19 to 23, 2 roods each; Lot 24, 1 acre 1 rood 24
 perches; Lot 25, 3 rods 8 perches; Lot 26, 1 acre 19 perches; lots 27
 to 30, 3 rods 20½ perches; Lot 31, 1 acre 2 rods 30
 perches; Lot 32, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 33, 1 acre 2
 rods 18½ perches; Lot 34, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 35, 1
 acre 3 rods 11 perches; Lot 36, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches;
 Lot 37, 2 acres 2 rods 32½ perches; Lot 38, 2 acres 2 rods 21
 perches; Lot 39, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 40, 1 acre 2 rods 21
 perches; Lot 41, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 42, 1 acre 2
 rods 21 perches; Lot 43, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 44,
 1 acre 3 rods 11 perches; Lot 45, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches;
 Lot 46, 2 acres 2 rods 32½ perches; Lot 47, 2 acres 2 rods 21
 perches; Lot 48, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches; Lot 49, 1 acre 2 rods
 21 perches; Lot 50, 1 acre 2 rods 21 perches. Upset price, £3 and 6d
 per acre.

6th October. From Tarrabandra Run,
ages 8s. 6d. per head: Bay more

marked. R and S always on. For 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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shoulder. Iron grey filly. A conjoined to a diamond with a stroke through it near shoulder, WJ (the J reversed) near and off ribs. Bay star. TA off shoulder. Bay filly foal, same brand. Bay star, 12 months old, unbranded. Bay horse foal, near hind foot near ribs. Bay filly, same brand both ribs. Brown gelding, 6 sideways over JB near shoulder, near hock has been broken. Will be sold 9th November.

CARSWATTA.—12th October. From the estate of J. H. Atherton. Colts' wood.—Bud and

on ramp milking side; damages 1a. 5d. Will be sold 7th November.
 KICHMOON.—3th October. From the estate of — Bowman, Esq. M. 1st; damages 6d. per head: Strawberry heifer. GO off the
 steer, C2 off hip. Will be sold 7th November.
 QUANBEY.—9th October. From Verulamius: Bay mare,
 2 near shoulder, like JH or JH near saddle; damages 2s. 8d. Will
 be sold 9th November.
 GADAG.—6th October. From Mutuma: damages, 2s. 6d.
 per head: White cow, illegible brand and II off rump, indiscrib-
 able brand on loins, aged. Yellow cow, II off rump, indiscrib-
 able brand on loins, aged. Red steer, no visible brand, II off
 bullock, N (writing capital) near ribs, aged. Red eland, no visible
 brand, II off rump, aged.

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near nose, D of rump, or ear marked. **White cow.** LANG
rounded. Black and white steer, like JV near eye, under
eye, and on side of neck. **White cow.** W, the L a writing capital of ribe.
Red tie cow, T over OQ near rump, on side neck. 3 near shoulder.
ox, same brand, near ear marked. Red cow, B near white
ear marked. Red and white ox, H on O near eye, 4 near
ear, unbranded. **White cow.** on rim of eye. **Strawberry bull**
near eye, 10 of rump, 8 near ribs, 9 on 6th.
near eye, 10 of rump, 8 near ribs; bull calf by her side unbranded.
baldness. MC of thigh, C near shoulder, WL near rump. Will be
sold 20th October.

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Terms, cash.

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Terms at sale.

From the nature of the soil and the aspect of the position it is more especially adapted for an orangery or arboretum.
A plan on view at the Rooms.
Terms of sale.

upwards. The auctioneer therefore confidently recommends
purchasers to attend this sale, as the owner is determined
to sell without the least reserve.

Terms of sale,

